

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, also known as Seizure Disorder, epilepsy is a neurological condition affecting an estimated 65,000 individuals in the Palmetto State with an economic impact of approximately \$220 million; and

WHEREAS, epilepsy affects people of all ages, with 3 percent of Americans developing epilepsy by the age of 75 and 1 of every 12 individuals experiencing at least one seizure in their lifetime; and


WHEREAS, increased knowledge and understanding of epilepsy can lead to an improved quality of life for those affected; and

WHEREAS, Epilepsy Awareness Month helps educate the public about the symptoms of this neurological disorder and the proper first aid steps to follow when someone has a seizure while calling attention to the need for continued research into its causes, effective treatments, and possible cures.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 2005 as

EPILEPSY AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to learn more about the symptoms and treatment of epilepsy.

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Mark Sanford".

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA